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ANNUAL INVENTORY SALE

During the month of August of every year we take our regular annual inventory and prior to that time, we propose to clean up and reduce stock as much as possible and to that end we make

A General Seewping
cut, on all summer goods.

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Now is your time to buy
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LOCAL BREVITIES.

PERSONAL POINTERS FITLY PRINTED.

Various Items Garnered From This and Other Fields—What Our People Are Doing.

Moontlight nights.
Money to loan. K. B. Harvey, agt.
Mr. Rankin's residence at Solana is nearing completion.
C. M. Gill is again on duty as night watchman.
Call 'Phone 87 for prompt delivery of groceries. E. O. Coram.—30ft.
Excursion to the Gulf tonight on steamer St. Lucie.
Rev. W. L. Mahon of Arcadia registered at the Dade Wednesday.
Car load good, fresh salt just received by A. Roe.—30.
The Standard oil tank has long months ago been completed, but for some cause is unused yet.
Born, 6 p. m. Tuesday, 19th inst., to Mr. and Mrs. Will Johnson, a daughter.
Special sale of lawns at J. R. Elliott's for next 30 days.—30
Every body should go on Commodore Booth's excursion to night. It will be a delightful affair.
The orange crop in Florida will not be one fourth on account of the drouth and red spider.
Sweet Orr overalls, best in the world, 75c. a pair, at J. R. Elliott's.—t
It is rumored that two business rooms will be built on to the west side of the McAdow block on Marion Avenue.
The schooner "Annie" is now making tri-weekly trips to Marco carrying fertilizer for the Ludlow pine-ries.
Great clearance sale of all summer goods at Earnest's.—29-3t
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Howard of Solana contemplate a visit to New York at an early date, returning to their home early in the winter.
Black and galvanized stove pipe, popular prices at Swift's Tin Shop.—32
Mr. Wm. Marshall has just put in a fancy brick pavement at his home on Rotta Esplanade, which is occupied by R. L. Earnest.
Car load pineapple crates to arrive in a few days. A. Roe.—30.
The John Savarese fish-packing house has been finished by Uncle Sol Phillips and the concern is shipping many fish.
Gen. Gilchrist sends greetings from the White Mountains, Bethlehem, N. H., where he was sojourning on the 17th.
Just watch the Butter fly.—30 cts. per lb. E. O. Coram.
Rev. M. S. Stevens has sold his interest in the Florida Baptist to Prof. P. W. Cor and the paper is to be greatly improved.
Ladies' and children's sailors at half price at J. R. Elliott's.—30.
Rev. J. R. Marshall, of Wilmington, N. C., will preach in the Baptist church Sunday morning and night at the usual hour.
On account of the drouth the guava crop will almost be a failure. Much of the green fruit is dropping off and but little new bloom is showing on the trees.
PINEAPPLE PLANTS for sale—large, healthy Smooth Cayennes, for sale by N. N. Wakefield.—30ft
The schooner Neally sailed Tuesday for Havana, with a cargo of 100 beefs, 100 calves and 190 cows. She was towed to Key West by the tug Dewey.
Watches that tell the time correctly for sale and guaranteed by Val Taylor, Jeweler and Optician. 3t
The Peace River Phosphate Co. expect to have their new plant at Liverpool completed by Sept. 10th and to make a shipment of 4000 tons of rock on Sept. 15th. for Europe.
Editor Jordan returned Wednesday morning. He was accompanied by his brother, E. B. Jordan, of Dothan, Ala., who is engaged in helping Mr. E. O. Coram in his popular and well stocked grocery.
Rev. J. E. McIntosh will not do a wholesale fish business, as erroneously stated in these columns a few weeks ago. He will sell fish only at retail; but he intends to both wholesale and retail oysters.
The Punta Gorda Livery Stables, E. A. Seward, manager, is a new enterprise recently established which solicits a share of the public patronage. Good horses and buggies and fair treatment. 17ft.
Fire was kindled this week under the boilers of the big ice plant for the purpose of drying out the machinery. A supply of ammonia is daily expected; and when it arrives, the machinery of the plant will be put in operation.
Miss Edith Stetson, who has been in St. Augustine for a week or two visiting the family of Rev. Mr. Martin, former pastor of the Methodist church here, is again quite ill. Her father, at present located in Jacksonville, has been summoned to her bedside.

Mr. E. B. Hagan of Pine Level was in town Monday, when he brightened this office with a call.

R. K. Seward is almost giving away mosquito nets of all lengths.—30

A number of people have remarked this week to HERALD representatives that it was hot.

New supply of yellow oil "sleekers" at J. R. Elliott's.—30

A very brilliant wedding in town this week. Who will be the participants in a very brilliant wedding next week?

Go to Swift's Tin Shop for galvanized iron stove pipe.—32

A number of prominent stockmen of Arcadia, including Messrs. W. H. Hooker and L. B. King, were in the city this week.

Quills and comforts, new stock just received at J. R. Elliott's.—30.

Dr. Walter S. Turner, an old friend of the editor from Holder, Citrus county, Florida, was a pleasant caller at this office last Saturday.

A special fertilizer for pineapple growers is being made to order for A. Roe.—30.

Mr. Bruce Wade, of Punta Gorda, stopped over with home folks, the family of Dr. J. S. Wade, Sunday, while en route to Tampa.—Courier Informant.

Handsome glass water sets and fancy crockery ware, half price at Seward's.—30

Miss Ada Williams, one of Ft. Ogden's most popular young ladies, after a week's visit to her brother, Cashier M. V. Williams, returned home this week.

Lot of men's \$1.00 and \$1.25 straw hats going at 25c. each at J. R. Elliott's.—30

A young man who had been sentenced to twenty days' imprisonment for abusing a local officer of the law, escaped from the city jail Monday night.

Have you tried "Palmatina," the new shortening compound? It is excellent. E. O. Coram keeps it.—t

Col. W. T. Jamieson, route agent of the Southern Express Company, was among the visitors in the city Saturday. While here he re-established the express office at Cleveland.

Regular annual inventory sale now going on. Stock must be reduced and our prices will do it.
At Earnest's.—29-3t

Why don't our people begin now to get ready to plant vegetables, strawberries etc? The Punta Gorda vegetable market rarely ever is overstocked and good prices are realized to growers.

Eyes tested and glasses fitted correctly. Prescription glasses a specialty. Val Taylor, Jeweler and Optician, 2nd door west of laboratory. 3t

That obliging and accomplished dry goods merchant, Mr. J. R. Elliott, left Wednesday evening for the North to buy his fall and winter stock of goods. He may be absent till the end of September.

The best physic—Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. Easy to take. Pleasant in effect. For sale by all druggists.—pm

The Peace River phosphate dredgeboat is at work again after a delay of three weeks repairing boiler. It will require a month's work yet in the cut opposite the 7-foot channel from Liverpool to Punta Gorda.

The Punta Gorda Cornet Band is ready for engagements. As many as twenty performers may be had on short notice. Address, M. V. Williams, Sec.—28ft.

The shipment of pineapples from Punta Gorda goes merrily on and the volume of business continually increases. This is destined to become one of the greatest pineapple shipping points in the State.

Strange as it may seem, Seward needs to buy for his fall stock; and in order to get it he is closing out many lines of goods at cost, and in many instances less than cost prices. Give him a call and save money.—30

The third nine of the Punta Gorda base ball club went up to Arcadia Tuesday and played the third nine there. The game resulted in 7 to 9 in favor of Arcadia, but our boys explain that Arcadia played grown men against them.

Prickly heat cured in one application by the use of Hancock's Liquid Sulphur. It will permanently cure Eczema, Tetter, Pimples, Ringworm, Dandruff, Cuts, Burns and all blood and skin troubles.—3t

Capt. McKay's steamer Roanoke sailed this week for Calbarien, Cuba, carrying a cargo of 370 beefs. On coming in here, she met with an accident to her machinery which delayed her sailing until Wednesday night.

Hancock's Liquid Sulphur is endorsed and prescribed by many leading physicians throughout the country for all blood and skin troubles. Hundreds of cases have been permanently cured after many years standing by the use of Hancock's Liquid Sulphur.—3t

A very pleasant "moonlight launch party" one evening late last week included Mrs. S. C. Whidden, chaplain; Misses Seavey, Chatterton, Beville, Keyser and Williams, and Messrs. Bancroft, Crossland, Seavey, Perkins, Conolly and Whitten. It is said the young folks spent a most delightful evening, and that Mrs. Whidden is a splendid chaperon.

Littleton Female College is being completely renovated including inside painting, whitening walls, etc., preparatory to the largest opening in its history. This institution has made a notable record among North Carolina schools and its patronage is rapidly extending to sections beyond the borders of the State.

Concerning the institution Dr. A. D. Betts says: "I have seen something of schools for a long time. I have looked into some that I call ideal schools. I have never seen a better place for girls than Littleton Female College."

Col. Pepper will occupy the pulpit of the Presbyterian church Sunday morning and evening.

The excursion tonight to the Gulf will be the last of the season. Every body go and have a good time.

Littleton Female College, Littleton, N. C., has the reputation of being one of the most thorough and progressive schools in North Carolina. A postal card would bring you a copy of the large, illustrated catalogue which is a very handsome booklet.

The revenue cutter McLain had an accident befall her boiler last Saturday. Machinist Marks, of the Consolidated Ice Co., made the necessary repairs on Sunday.

Henry L. Shattuck of Shellsburg, Iowa, was cured of a stomach trouble with which he had been afflicted for years, by four boxes of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. He had previously tried many other remedies and a number of physicians without relief. For sale by all druggists.—td

The young ladies of the Baptist Sunday school will give an ice cream festival at Mrs. Goldstein's residence to-morrow (Saturday) evening. There will be music by a string band and a good time may be expected. Every body attend.

SULPHUR BATHS AT HOME.—Hancock's Liquid Sulphur baths are superior to those of the most celebrated sulphur springs, having the additional advantage of being made any desired strength. No home should ever be without a bottle of Hancock's Liquid Sulphur.—For sale by all druggists.—30ft

The survey of the Atlantic Coast Line from here to Fort Myers began this week. The engineers are encamped near the depot. Amongst them are P. F. Jenkins, E. M. Law, H. R. Knight, D. B. Jenkins, James Raster and C. Legare, who are temporarily quartered at Hotel Dade.

Columbian Brand Evaporated Cream is made from pure, rich cow's milk. It can be used for all household purposes where milk is called for, as in tea, coffee, chocolate, beverages, for making ice cream, eating on sliced fruits, cereals, etc. It is of superior quality and delicious in flavor; keeps unopened indefinitely. All grocers. Prepared by Borden's Condensed Milk Co.—td

Two of the finest horses in Seward's livery stables died last week. A horse driven to Myers Thursday morning died shortly after reaching there about noon, and Saturday evening a handsome black mare succumbed to an uncertain ailment in spite of all efforts to save her.

Dysentery Cured Without the Aid of a Doctor.

"I am just up from a hard spell of the flux" (dysentery), says Mr. T. A. Plumer, a well known merchant of Drummond, Tenn. "I used one small bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and was cured without having a doctor. I consider it the best cholera medicine in the world." There is no need of employing a doctor when this remedy is used, for no doctor can prescribe a better medicine for bowel complaint in any form either for children or adults. It never fails and is pleasant to take. For sale by all druggists.—td

Wauchula Advocate: Judging by the amount of machinery, boilers, tanks, etc., which pass through here on the train, that the factory at Punta Gorda will cover all over the south end of the county. Almost every southbound freight train has from one to ten carloads of material for the Punta Gorda ice factory.

Not Over-Wise.

There is an old allegorical picture of a girl scared at a grass-hopper, but in the act of heedlessly treading on a snake. This is paralleled by the man who spends a large sum of money building a cyclone cellar, but neglects to provide his family with a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy as a safeguard against bowel complaints, whose victims outnumber those of the cyclone a hundred to one. This remedy is everywhere recognized as the most prompt and reliable medicine in use for these diseases. For sale by all druggists.—pm

Wauchula Advocate: Pineapples (from Punta Gorda and other points south) are passing through here by the solid car load. A few crates consigned to Wauchula merchants would doubtless bring greater net returns than those shipped north, as there has been a scarcity of this fruit here this season. Next season there will be enough pineapples raised in this vicinity to supply the Wauchula market.

My boy when four years old was taken with colic and cramps in his stomach. I sent for the doctor and he injected morphine, but the child kept getting worse. I then gave him half a teaspoonful of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and in half an hour he was sleeping and soon recovered.—F. L. Wilkins, Shell Lake, Wis. Mr. Wilkins is book-keeper for the Shell Lake Lumber Co. For sale by all druggists.—pm

LITTLETON FEMALE COLLEGE

One of the most prosperous schools in the South. Room for 500 boarding pupils. Twenty-first Annual Session begins Sept. 17th. Large illustrated catalogue on application to Rev. J. M. Rhodes, A. M., President, Littleton, N. C. 30-6t

A message received early Tuesday morning announced the death at 6:30 o'clock Monday evening, at Lake Butler of Judge J. R. Richard, father of Mrs. H. J. Spence of this city. The latter intended to leave on Tuesday afternoon's train to attend the funeral, but a second message stated the burial would take place that afternoon. The deceased was 87 years old, and was well known in the state.

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